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West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Air Quality

Comment Period Opens: February 11, 2022

Comment Period Closes: March 17, 2022

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Type of Notice: Public Comment Period and Public Hearing

Location: Virtual

Proposed Activity: 2006 PM_{2.5} 24-Hour NAAQS Weirton Area Maintenance Plan Revision

Project Description: The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Division of Air Quality (DAQ) is soliciting comment and will hold a public hearing on the proposed *Maintenance Plan Revision for the Weirton, West Virginia Area 2006 24-Hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS Comprising Brooke and Hancock Counties*. This revised Plan provides maintenance of the NAAQS for the second ten years following the end of the first 10-year period. Air quality monitoring data collected in this area continues to demonstrate attainment of the NAAQS.

The proposed Maintenance Plan is available at:

- the DAQ website at <https://dep.wv.gov/daq/publicnoticeandcomment/Pages/default.aspx>
- If you do not have internet capability, please contact the DAQ for alternatives.

Point of Contact: Todd Shrewsbury (todd.h.shrewsbury@wv.gov or 304-926-0475)

Written comments may be submitted at any time during the public comment as instructed below. Comments must be received by the conclusion of the public comment period on March 17, 2022. The DEP is holding the public hearing virtually to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to accommodate commenters who may have had a great distance to travel to attend in person. Instructions for participating and providing oral comments virtually are provided below. Both oral

and written comments will be made part of the official record. Comments received after the conclusion of the public comment period will not be accepted.

Written Comments:

- E-mail written comments to todd.h.shrewsbury@wv.gov with “Weirton Area Second PM_{2.5} Maintenance Plan” in the subject line, or
- Mail hard copy comments to the attention of Sandra Adkins at the WV Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Air Quality, 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV 25304.

Public Hearing: March 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments concerning the proposed second 10-year 2006 24-Hour PM_{2.5} Maintenance Plan.

To participate online or by telephone, registration is required by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17, 2022. To register, please complete the participant registration form at <https://forms.gle/Y4SRSn1FUP8cA4YR7>. To register to speak, please indicate “yes” you want to provide oral comments on the record when you register with the previously provided link. A confirmation email will be sent with information on how to join the public hearing. If you do not have internet access and want to register, please contact Sandra Adkins or Stephanie Hammonds at (304) 926-0475. Registration for the online hearing is required to fulfill the state’s obligation under federal air quality regulations to include a list of participants.

If you wish to speak at the public hearing, verbal testimony is limited to 5 minutes for each witness. Video demonstrations and screen sharing by witnesses is not permitted.